ope United Jethodist Church



April 17, 2025 Reverend Jeff Rainwater "We are blessed, regardless"



# THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025 7:00 p.m. Worship

# MAUNDY THURSDAY

**MUSIC FOR GATHERING** 

Go to Dark Gethsemane

arr. by David Cherwien Diane Gallagher, organist

## WELCOME & STANDING ON THE THRESHOLD

## **MUSICAL BLESSING**

Good Enough by Marsha Charles, Marcia McFee, Chuck Bell

## \*CALL ON GOD

- L: Holy One, You who lay a table of blessing before us,
- P: you have heard us and have come to us.
- L: We lift up the cup of salvation in praise,
- P: we break open and share our love.
- L: Open us this night to your presence in our gardens of delight and sorrow-
- P: And in the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.

Based on Psalm 116

**\*OPENING HYMN** Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast UMH 616 vv. 1, 3, 4,5

# HONEST QUESTIONS, COMPASSIONATE RESPONSE

- L: The mid-20th century brought a particular shift ... And know, that despite our sometimes faltering steps, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are being forgiven, even now.
- P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

**\*THE PEACE** 

FIRST READING

Matthew 5:1-11

THE WORD IN MUSIC

Blessings

Laura Story Mary Edet & Anne Rowland, vocalists

## THOUGHTS ABOUT AN IMPERFECT LIFE & FAITH We are blessed, regardless.

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## A BLESSING FOR WHEN YOU DON'T FEEL #BLESSED

#### **RESPONSIVE CHORUS** Take Our Bread

## INVITATION TO THE UPPER ROOM

## A GOOD ENOUGH STEP

L: We love blessing people we find easy to love. ... Let's say one of the oldest blessings "in the Book" together, keeping in mind those we love and those we struggle to love:

P: "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

Numbers 6:24-26

refrain only

# RESPONSE

## THE GREAT THANKGIVING

- L: The Holy Living God be with you.
- P: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- **P:** We lift them up to the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, anytime and everywhere to give thanks to you, ... we proclaim the praise-filled truth of your glory along with all the saints:
- P: Holy, holy, God of Hosts! Heaven and earth sing out your name! Blest are they who come today; and take their place.
- L: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. ... We proclaim God's time ...
- P: Christ has died; yet Christ is risen; Christ will come once again! We remember and proclaim redeeming love.
- L: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, ... Open us to the world, making us one in you, through Christ, in the power of your amazing grace!
- P: Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## COMMUNION

## THE GARDEN VIGIL & STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH

**DEPART IN SILENCE** 

stay and pray, leave when you wish

Luke 22:39-53



John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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